



Parent News

January 25, 2024



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Table Talk

Bob Ippel, Executive Director

Dear Beloved Families of Rehoboth Christian School,

This is my fifth attempt to write in this space.

A student is gone.

Memories of other deaths.

No words seem appropriate.

No words capture grief.

No words accurately express my immense love

for our staff

students

parents

who so beautifully come together when times are difficult.

Weeping with those who weep

Longing for a better day.

Confident in God's embrace.

Praying for Tony, Wilma and Ash.

Bob Ippel
Executive Director

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Upcoming Events

- **Monday, January 29 - Friday, February 2** - International Heritage Week
- **Tuesday, January 30**- Family Movie Night "In the Dirt" 6:30 pm in LC
- **Friday, February 9** - HOMECOMING Rehoboth vs. Laguna Acoma
- **Tuesday, February 13** - All School Talent Show 7:00 pm in LC
- **Monday, February 19** - NO SCHOOL- President's Day

All School Announcements

International Heritage Week

We will be celebrating International Heritage Week January 29-February 2. This year's theme is Breaking Bread. Check out the lunch menu for the week! Notice all of the countries represented just in the Fellowship Hall. We will also be celebrating local cultures by watching "In the Dirt" and having students participate in a "Throw". Why celebrate cultures from around the world? First, many of those cultures are represented at our school. Secondly, we know that we have a lot to learn from other cultures. Finally, we know that our future will be with everyone- all nations and tribes, all races and languages....standing before the Throne of the Lamb and heartily singing, "Salvation to our God on his Throne!"

Celine Bia/Director of Finance

Please note that Celine Bia is our Director of Finance. If you have tuition payment or tuition contract questions, please contact her at cbia@rcsnm.org or call 505-726-9704. We appreciate your communication.

Re-enrollment

We are so excited that we already have 154 students re-enrolled for next year! Only 7 more days until we open new student enrollment! It is hard to believe that some classes are already almost filled for next year!

In the Dirt

Please join us on Tuesday, January 30 to view the documentary entitled "In the Dirt." The 6:30pm showing will be held in the High School LC. This 45 minute show highlights the transformational power associated with mountain biking as experienced on the Navajo Nation. We are excited that Rehoboth Christian School has piloted many of the biking initiatives that are now being implemented throughout the area. Attendees will have a chance to talk to some of the participants of "In the Dirt" and learn about Rehoboth's biking trails and a new NICA trail which is being created on the east side of the Rehoboth campus. Rehoboth is thankful for the inspiration of Rehoboth parent Scott Nydam who has been a moving force behind bringing biking to the Navajo Nation and to McKinley County. Please see the attached flyer

Auditions for the February 13th Talent Show

Auditions for the talent show will be next Thursday (Feb 1) from 1:30 to 4:30. Rehoboth students are encouraged to think about a talent they can showcase, whether it be comedic, musical, dramatic, artistic or athletic, and prepare an audition for the judges. Selected acts will perform at the Talent Show on Tuesday, February 13th with the proceeds of the show going to support the music and drama department. Contact jo.leggett@gmail.com to answer any questions. See attached flyer.

2024-25 School Calendar

The RCS Board approved the 2024-25 school calendar. Please click [HERE](#).

Elementary News

Toolbox Thursday

We will practice the 4 steps of a sincere Apology this week.

I am sorry for..... It was wrong because. . . Next time I will . . . How can I help?

Check folders/binders for more information on the Apology Tool.

Leanne Gillson

Bullying: Love and Logic Webinar: Cliff Notes

Suggestions and Help for Parents wanting to Bully-proof their Kids

By Dr. Charles Fay (Love and Logic President)

And Dr. Daniel Amen (head of Amen Institute)

The bully triangle: Victim, Bully, Hero

When we jump in to rescue our child from bullying, the victim role continues to perpetuate. Avoid this by only rescuing when needed. Teach your child to react by using humor, calm and coolness.

As parents use what you can to support your child and help them go from the victim role to the victor role.

If you were unable to attend this webinar, Mrs. Gail DeYoung has [shared her cliff notes with us!](#) There are some really great take-aways from this. If you would like to watch the recording, you may do so with this [link](#). I encourage you to read over these notes and/or watch the webinar and have conversations with your students.

End of Day Check-outs

Please make sure that if you need to check your student out at the end of the day, that you are here at least one hour before the end of the school day. So, on Thursday check-out before 12:05, and other weekdays before 2:05. This helps our teachers and students finish their day strong without so many interruptions. Thank you!

Drop off/Pick up Loop

As you drop off and pick up your students in the gravel loop, please use one single lane for your student to exit and enter your vehicle. It is unsafe for students to walk in front of vehicles to a second lane. Thank you for helping keep all our students safe!

Middle School Matters

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Electronic devices- Smart watches

Smart watches are considered an electronic device, many connect to the internet and have the same connectivity as a cell phone. Therefore, they will be treated as such and confiscated when misused. Please help us communicate this with your students. Thanks!

[SEE HANDBOOK](#)

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High School Highlights

Love for our Students

I was away with the boys basketball team at the Santa Rosa Tournament last week, and I told them that working at Rehoboth is a funny thing. Just when I think I can't possibly love our students any more than I do or be prouder of them, something happens to make me experience afresh how amazing they are; and that makes me love them even more deeply. Thank you, families, for entrusting your children to us here at RCHS. We love them dearly, and they enrich our lives every day.

Homecoming Game - Friday, February 9

In about two weeks, we will host our annual Homecoming basketball games as both the boys and girls teams take on Laguna Acoma High School. We hope you will all come out to enjoy the fun and fellowship of the evening. The Homecoming Dance will take place the following evening–Saturday, February 10. Tickets will be \$5 each for the dance, and only RCHS students are allowed to attend. Starting Monday, students will be able to pay for tickets in the HS Office. Go Lynx!

Talent Show

The choir will be hosting an all school talent show on February 13 at 7pm. We are asking if parents would be willing to donate a special (fancy or decorative) dessert or silent auction item.

If you would be willing to donate an item please contact Anna Christensen at achristensen@rcsnm.org

Dan Meester, RCHS Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

Scholarships for Seniors

- The NMAA Foundation Scholarships are **due February 1st, 2024**. The Foundation will award approximately 50 scholarships to New Mexico high school students this spring. The application portal is open and can be accessed from the NMAA website at <https://www.nmact.org/foundation/scholarship-forms/>. A list of scholarship categories can also be found via this webpage. The Foundation has awarded scholarships to individuals at more than 120 NMAA member schools and it is our hope that we can add to this list in 2024.
- The Navajo Nation Scholarship & Financial Assistance Application will open on Friday, March 15, 2024. I encourage any student(s) that would like to apply to obtain an original (duplicate) copy of their Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Department of Vital Records. The Navajo Nation Scholarship Office will require you to submit an original copy of your CIB with your application.
- First Financial Credit Union Scholarship Application is now Open!
 - Must be a graduating senior in good standing, planning to attend a two or four-year, accredited New Mexico college or university, or currently enrolled at a New Mexico institution of higher learning.
 - Must be enrolled as a full-time student with a minimum of 12 hours and must have at least a 2.0 - grade point average.
 - Parent/guardian or student must be a member of First Financial Credit Union. Immediate family members of volunteers and staff are not eligible.
 - Completed application must be submitted by **midnight Wednesday, April 17th, 2024**.
- Continental Divide Electric Cooperative's Education Foundation will accept scholarship applications for the 2024-25 school year. PLEASE NOTE: The **deadline to return applications is March 31, 2024**. If you have questions about the scholarship program, please contact our Education Foundation Scholarship Coordinator Rosanne Apodaca at (505) 285-6656, ext. 1041, or email rapodaca@cdec.coop. You may also contact Raquel Galindo at (505)-285-6656, ext. 1046, or email rgalindo@cdec.coop.

Spring SAT Testing Final Week To Sign Up!

Any Juniors or Seniors interested in taking the SAT this spring, please stop by my office to sign up by **Monday, January 29, 2024**. The SAT will take place on March 29, 2024 (Good Friday) from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the LC. .

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

Inside Scoop

Community Life & Admissions

District code in Family Portal is: **RE-NM**

Family Portal: <https://re-nm.client.renweb.com/pwr/>

Don't forget to re-enroll!:

Re-enrollment is important as it helps us determine the seats we can offer new potential students. To re-enroll for the 2024-2025 school year, here are some details to know:

1. One parent will receive an email that the re-enrollment packet is open in their Family Portal.
2. Only one parent is considered the “responsible parent” for re-enrollment and will get the packet for their child(ren).
3. The email will contain a link to the Family Portal.
4. The “responsible parent” needs to have a username and password set up with their Family Portal. To get yourself set up for a Parent Portal, [click here](#). If you need to reset your password follow the prompts.
5. Please fill out the tuition assistance application part of the re-enrollment application. You don't have to have your taxes done yet to fill that out.

Lastly, there is a competition! The class with the highest percentage of re-enrollment by **January 31st at 5pm** will receive a class prize. Right now, our current 3rd grade class has the highest re-enrollment.

Tuition payments: A reminder that every month, a tuition payment needs to be paid. You can make your payments by phone through credit (505-863-4412), at our administration building, mail in payment, or use our free service of [FACTS](#). Every credit card payment has a fee.

Other Scholarships:

ACE Scholarship will be open on February 8th and end on April 15th.

Lynx Scholarship- If there are circumstances that are making it difficult for you to pay your tuition, you can apply for the [LYNX SCHOLARSHIPS](#).

Verlena J. Livingston | Dir. of Community Life | vlivingston@rcsnm.org

Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)
[CLICK HERE TO RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS](#)

1. We have a month left of home games. Please consider signing up below to help with the admission gate. [📅 2023 Winter Sports Admission gate](#)
2. Would you be willing to provide a meal for our cantabile choir on Monday nights at 6pm? If so please contact me.
3. Do you have an hour to volunteer to help with the daily dose on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday for 1st and 2nd grade classrooms? Parents interested please contact me.
4. Are you interested in helping with the upcoming talent show by donating a special (fancy or decorative)dessert or silent auction item? If so, please contact me for more details.



Please be sure to fill out the parent volunteer link to log your hours.

If hours are not reported through the link above, we cannot record the hours to your Family Portal for you to track. If you have any questions about volunteering please don't hesitate to contact me.

Deanna Benson | Volunteer Coordinator | dbenson@rcsnm.org | (505) 726-9603

Food Service Line

We will celebrate International Heritage week from Jan. 29 to Feb. 02. Starting Monday, each meal will represent a different country. Thank you to the awesome staff and volunteers who help serve the kiddos daily. Blessings from the Kitchen. If you have any questions, concerns, or any ideas, please don't hesitate to contact me at danderson@rcsnm.org.

When he had sat down at the table with them, he took the bread and gave thanks. Breaking it, he gave it to them. Luke 24:30

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Now down to business.

We are in need of servers more than ever, please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org, if you can do your volunteer hours by serving lunch. It is the BEST job on campus, kids LOVE to be fed! This volunteer time can be put towards your Parent Volunteer Hours needed for the school year.

We are encouraging kids to drink their milk, and eat the food on their plates. Please encourage your kids to eat what is on their plate, remembering they can speak up & turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray, one being a fruit or vegetable!

ALL kids eat FREE! Take advantage! 😊

Menu Week of Jan 29 to Feb 02 , 2024

Monday Jan 29	Tuesday Jan 30	Wednesday Jan 31	Thursday Feb. 1	Friday Feb. 2
Bagel and cream with cream cheese, Fruit , Milk	Breakfast burrito, juice, Fruit and Milk	Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Oatmeal, Fruit, Milk	Mini Pancake , Fruit, Juice, Milk
Spaghetti w/ sauce , French garlic toast , Fruit, cream brûlée, milk	Posole w/ homey , red chili, Sopapilla , Fruit, Milk	Lasagna w/ Meat Sauce Italian garlic stick , Fruit Milk	Dutch Vegetable Soup w/ meatballs, Rolls, Fruit, Milk	Beef Bulgogi, Rice Fortune Cookie Fruit, Milk

RCS is an equal opportunity provider. Menu subject to change due to product availability.

In Gear : Transportation

Deuteronomy 31:8

The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”

Hello to all, here are a few updates to share with you all:

- We will be on a **5 Bus Mode** on the days of **01/29 & 01/30**. We will return to a 6 bus route-mode following those days. We will do our best to communicate with you all when we go into the 5 Bus mode again.
- **Please continue to be at scheduled Bus Stops at least 5 minutes before the listed time.** This will help eliminate delays for the other scheduled bus stops.

See link below for 2023-2024 Bus Route Times:

[Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes](#)

[Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes \(Thursday Early Dismissal\)](#)

[Snow Delay/Cancellation Policy](#)

For day of transportation changes, please contact the school before 2:15pm.

- Val Peywa at 505-726-9675 for Elementary/Middle school
- Shawna Begay 505-726-9632 for High School

For permanent transportation changes, please contact Darius Yazzie at dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager



(505)726-9622 | dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org

I Believe: Athletics

For the Athlete: I do not trust in myself. I do not boast in my abilities or believe in my own strength. I rely solely on the power of God. I compete for the pleasure of my heavenly father, the honor of Christ, and the reputation of the Holy Spirit.

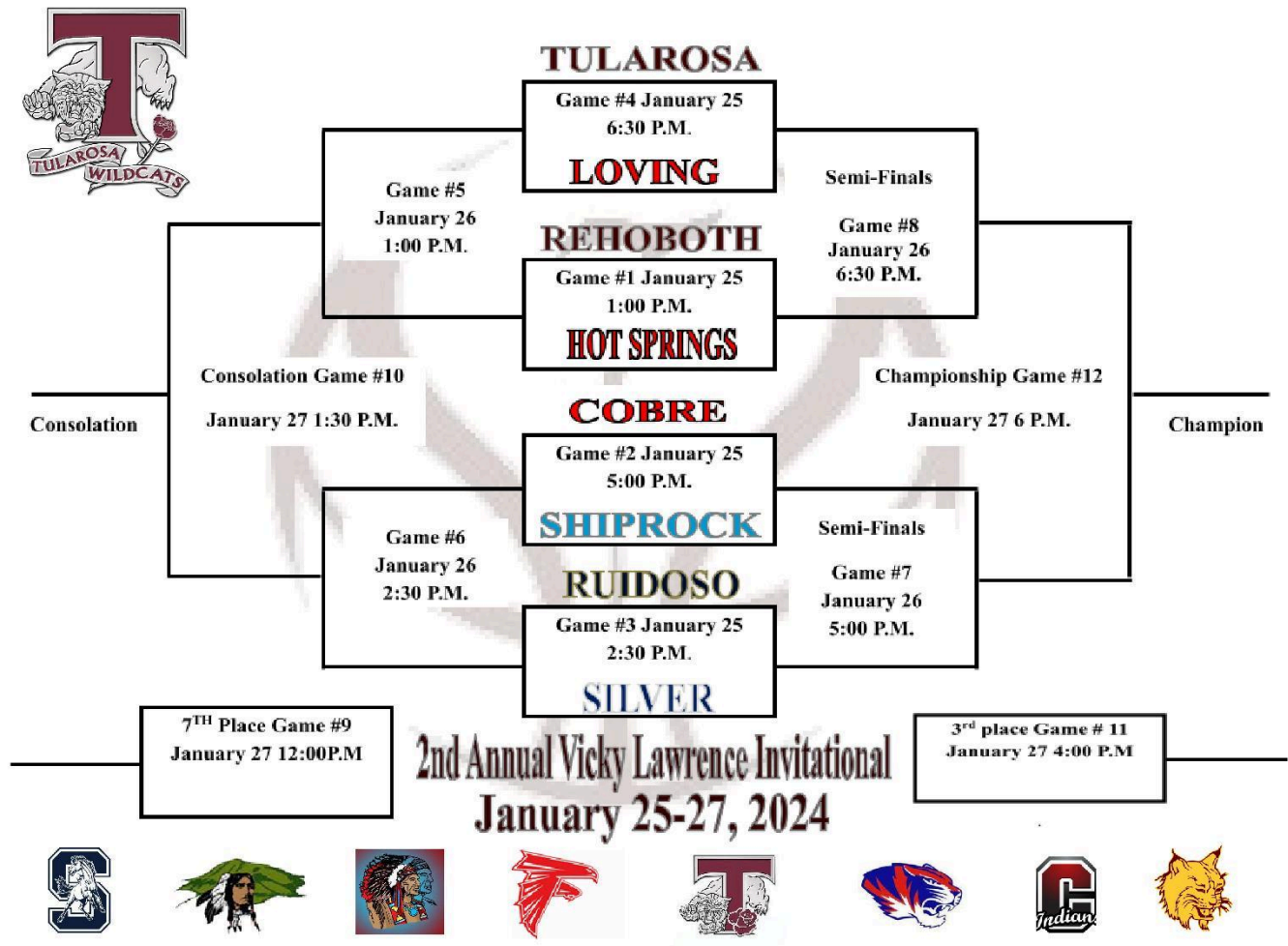
Devotionals: Here is a link for your son or daughter that pertains to student-athletes and their journey that comes with challenges and joys. If Devotions are new to you and your child, please see Mr. Pete, to assist and start that process and some easy steps in studying God's Word to grow and build a solid foundation.

[RCS Student-Athletes Devotionals](#)

Prayer Request: Please see attached a Prayer Card to pray for our athletes and coaches every day. Reminder: "MORE PRAYER, MORE POWER, LESS PRAYER, LESS POWER." [fcaprayercard.pdf](#)



DATE	HS SPORTS	MS SPORTS
Thursday, January 25	1:00 pm Girls Basketball Tularosa Tournament AWAY (V) Rehoboth vs. Hot Springs 5:00 pm - Boys Basketball AWAY vs. Thoreau (JV,V)	
Friday, January 26	Girls Basketball Tularosa Tournament (V) (see attached bracket)	4:00 pm MS Basketball HOME vs. Pine Hill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls B team 4:00 pm Boys B team 5:00 pm Girls A team 6:00 pm Boys A team 7:00 pm
Saturday, January 27	Girls Basketball Tularosa Tournament (V)	9:00 am MS Girls Basketball HOME vs. St Bonaventure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls B team 9:00 am Girls A team 10:00 am
Monday, January 29	5:00 pm - Boys Basketball AWAY vs. Shiprock (JV,V)	4:00 pm MS Basketball HOME vs. Tohatchi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls B team 4:00 pm Boys B team 5:00 pm Girls A team 6:00 pm Boys A team 7:00 pm
Tuesday, January 30	5:00 pm - Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Thoreau(JV,V)	
Wednesday, January 31		4:00 pm MS Basketball AWAY vs. Chooshgai <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls B team 4:00 pm Boys 6th grade team 5:00 pm Girls A team 6:00 pm Boys A team 7:00 pm

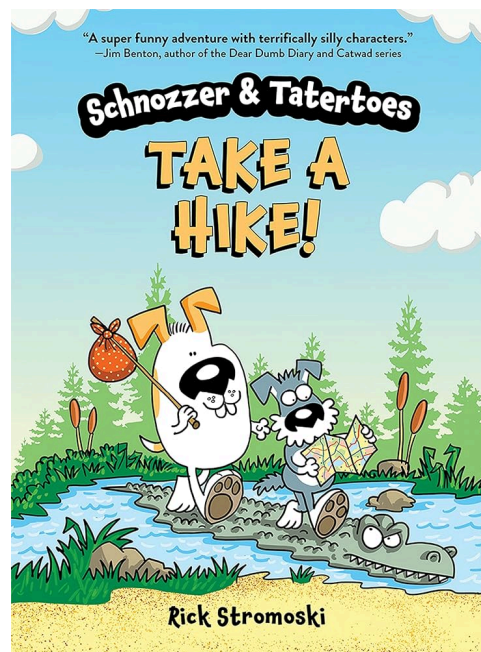


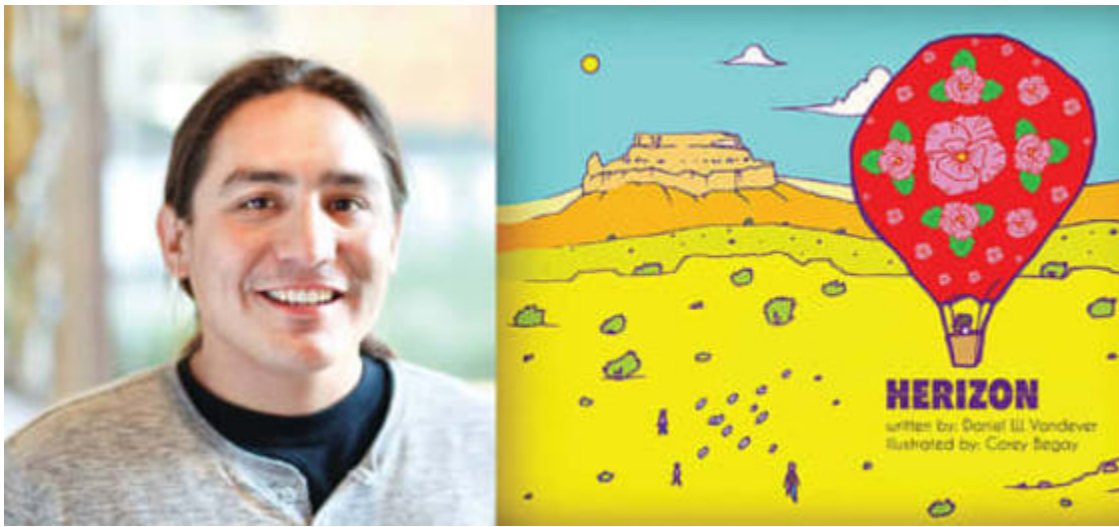
Community Action

We like to support our community, so if you have any events that you would like to add to Parent News please email the information to adminsec@rcsnm.org by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.



On the first Saturday in February, thousands of libraries across the world celebrate **Take Your Child to the Library Day** (takeyourchildtothelibrary.org) by offering free, fun, fabulous activities for families. Join us at the **Children & Youth Library** on **Saturday, February 3** from **12 to 5 PM** for a family scavenger hunt, crafts and games, door prizes, and a family movie shown at 2 PM. Investigate a series of STEM activities hosted by our partner Explora! Read with Sage the turtle and Holly the dog throughout the afternoon. Library card sign ups and replacement cards will also be available for free. We hope to see you there!





The first week of February is **National Children's Author and Illustrator Week!** To celebrate, join us at the **Children & Youth Library** on **Thursday, February 8** at **5 PM** for an in-person reading, author talk, and Q&A session with Navajo children's book author **Daniel Vandever**. Daniel, originally from Haystack, NM, has written several award-winning books for children. We will be giving away a few copies of Daniel's recent picture book *Herizon* as door prizes.

Vigorously Academic | Beautifully Diverse | Thoroughly Christian



International Heritage week

Jan. 29 - Feb. 2

theme

Breaking Bread

Honoring the beauty of the many
cultures around the world



RCS CHOIR AND
DRAMA CLUB
ANNOUNCE

OPEN
CALL

GOT TALENT? AUDITION!

OPEN
TO ALL
STUDENTS

AUDITION

PERFORM

MUSICIANS, SINGERS,
DANCERS, RAPPERS,
ACTORS, MARTIAL
ARTISTS, COMEDIANS,
MAGICIANS, ETC.

THURS, FEB 1, 1:30-4:30
HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR
ROOM

RCS TALENT SHOW
TUES, FEB 13 @6:30 PM

SPACE IS LIMITED, SO COME PREPARED!

CONTACT JO.LEGGETT@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION

G R A T I S 7 F I L M S

IN THE DIRT

A T.C. JOHNSTONE DOCUMENTARY FILM



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

JANUARY

30

6:30 PM

REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN HS
LIFE CENTER

MEET SPECIAL GUESTS FROM THE FILM!

WNM 2024 Gallup Skills To Pay The Bills: 6 Part Series

1:30 pm -3:30 pm at the [Gallup Cultural Center](#)

Topic: Financing

What skills do you need to pay the bills?

You need financial literacy, which is the ability to understand and effectively use various financial skills, including personal financial management, budgeting, and investing. The meaning of financial literacy is the foundation of your relationship with money, and it is a lifelong journey of learning. The earlier you start, the better off you will be because education is the key to success when it comes to money.

Join us in person for a 6-part series and learn how you can get the skills you need to pay the bills.

- **February 9, 2024 - What Is Financial Trauma**
- **March 15, 2024 - The Art of Budgeting**
- **April 12, 2024 - Avoiding the Pay Day Loan Trap**
- **May 3, 2024 - Credit As An Asset**
- **June 21, 2024 - How To Do Business with A Bank**
- **July 12, 2024 - Business Etiquette 101**

All class are held in person at **Gallup Cultural Center** located at 201 E. Hwy 66, Gallup, NM 87301.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities and language assistance services are available for limited English proficient individuals. Please notify Janelle Henry at 505-566-3715 when you register for the class, or no later than 24 hours prior to your class, so that WESST can make sure necessary accommodations are available. All programs and services are provided to the public on a nondiscriminatory basis.

The Women's Business Center is funded in part by the U.S. Small Business Administration. All opinions, conclusions or recommendations expressed are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the SBA.

Speaker(s): Dawn Facka, Regional Manager, WESST Farmington Women's Business Center Janelle Henry, Regional Program Coordinator, WESST Farmington Women's Business Center

Co-Sponsor(s): National Indian Youth Council

Please Note: This training class will be delivered in English. You're welcome to arrive early to sign in and get a seat.

Fee: No Cost

[Register Online](#)

Already Registered? [Sign in](#) for more information.

Phone: 505-566-3715

Email: JHenry@WESST.org

Location

Gallup Cultural Center

201 E. Hwy 66 Gallup, NM 87301